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DIARY NOTES

ADD/A (Colonel White)

25 February 1952

1. Attended the Deputies' Meeting at which I raised the question of a review of Projects [REDACTED]. Procurement will need to know to what extent these Projects are to be implemented in the very near future. It will be difficult even now to negotiate the necessary contracts and obligate the funds prior to 1 July if they are to proceed as originally planned. Mr. Dulles said that this would be undertaken immediately upon the return of Mr. Kirkpatrick and [REDACTED]. In this connection, Mr. Hedden voiced the opinion that he thought not only the Projects but our method of procurement should be reviewed. He considers our present method of using [REDACTED] to be "silly" and thinks that the thing is already blown. I strongly suggest that we solicit his suggestions in a conference at which Mr. Garrison should be present. I have told Jim Garrison that it would be impossible to give him any definite information for at least another week or ten days but that he should formulate plans as best he could on the assumption that the original Projects would be implemented. He is doing this so that his negotiations will be delayed a minimum amount of time after the final decision is made.

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2. [REDACTED] reports that [REDACTED], the new Chief of the Military Personnel Division, has been cleared for security and it is hoped that he will be entered on duty within a few days.

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3. [REDACTED] reports that both Messrs. [REDACTED] of PBS are out of town and won't be back for another week. We will, therefore, confine Mr. [REDACTED] briefing to CIA and ask him to come back to see the PBS people at a later date.

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4. Matt Baird was over to discuss a personnel situation which I will fill you in on.

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25X1A A-DD/A (Colonel White) [REDACTED]

Thursday, 21 February 52

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With regard to the Princeton PMS&T's complaint that CIA was recruiting ROTC personnel, [REDACTED] reports that as a result of a conference Mr. [REDACTED] of Personnel Procurement had with Lt. Colonel Kehe of G-1, the Army is completely satisfied that CIA acted in good faith in this matter and that we were entirely within the letter as well as the spirit of our agreement. Colonel Kehe indicated that the PMS&T at Princeton would be directed to discharge the three individuals from ROTC due to their failure to sign the draft deferment request and report their names to their draft boards. This means that the Army considers that the three individuals are under no obligation to continue their ROTC affiliation and if CIA wants to offer them a position, this is a matter for our own determination.

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[REDACTED] Administrative Officer TSS, telephoned to request assignment of a car to [REDACTED] on a permanent basis. Told him I regretted very much we are unable to assign any more cars to individuals at this time. In this connection, [REDACTED] is making a staff study on this matter which will be up-coming in a few days.

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[REDACTED] was over for a long conference on a number of subjects.

(1) He raises the question again of allowing additional slots for Administrative Service in order to provide a reserve for overseas assignments, etc. This is an important matter which involves not only Administrative Service but Procurement, Security, Finance, and possibly others. I will try to get after this within the next few days. What we must first have is at least an estimate of requirements.

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(2) [REDACTED] strongly suggests that someone of the DD/A level inject themselves into the planning which Far East of OPC is now doing in connection with their logistics support. Apparently their plan is to be finished by 4 March 1952 and [REDACTED] thinks central administration has not been cut in enough at this time. Will ask for [REDACTED] views on this.

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(3) There is apparently a great deal of confusion about our warehouse plan--how they are going to be used, etc. Actually Administrative Service has no responsibility for warehouses except to build them. Garrison is supposed to run them. I am not sure this is understood by operating offices and I will try to have a meeting on this sometime next week to get it on the rails.

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(4) [REDACTED] is somewhat concerned about the safehouse procurement function being taken away from Administrative Service. I told him I was not familiar with the background on this but I was sure it had been carefully considered by Messrs. Wolf and [REDACTED] and that reconsideration was unlikely.

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[redacted] said that although he knew this matter was being considered, he had learned of the actual transfer of responsibilities indirectly, primarily through [redacted] who is handling the function. Administrative Service did not get a copy of the memo giving this function to A-DD/A(S). This must have been an oversight and I will follow up to see that Administrative Service is properly instructed.

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